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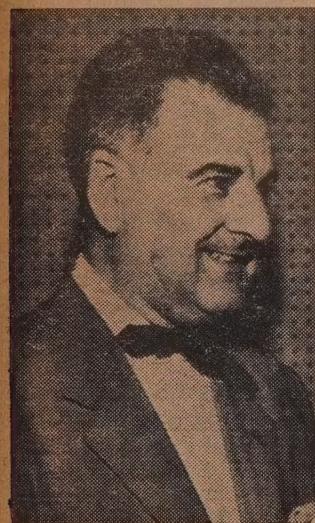
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Plan To Raze Building On Home Site

The former Yugoslav Embassy in Washington, D. C., site of the Order's proposed new national home, will be torn down in the near future.



JOSEPH B. SILVERIO
Ex-Grand Venerable

J. B. Silverio Convention Chairman

BOSTON—Atty. Joseph B. Silverio of Allston, Ex-Grand Venerable of the Massachusetts Order, has been named general chairman of the August 1959 Supreme Lodge convention to be held in this city. The announcement was made by Grand Venerable John Guarino of East Boston.

This year's Supreme convention will mark the second time that Brother Silverio has served as general chairman. In 1951, upon taking office as Grand Venerable, Brother Silverio continued with his duties as general chairman for the Supreme convention.

Silverio and his committee will coordinate plans for the five-day convention, beginning August 20, at the Sheraton Plaza Hotel.

His committee will include members of the Grand Council, permanent commission chairmen,

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This was disclosed by John A. Volpe of Winchester, Mass., national home chairman, who said that his committee has under advisement a number of bids for the demolition of the four-story red brick building located at 1600 Massachusetts avenue, N. W.

"We are now in the process of reviewing a number of bids," Volpe said. "The committee will award the job for the demolition of the former Yugoslav Embassy to the lowest bidder."

The committee's move is in line with action taken last September by the Supreme Council at plenary sessions in Washington, D. C.

Council Approval

At that time the Council approved the project to demolish the building to save insurance, taxes and maintenance costs.

Present plans call for a modern two-story structure to be erected on the site. The Order will raise funds for the construction of the proposed home through a nationwide campaign. Plans for the drive are in the making.

Volpe already has named four regional chairmen to coordinate the drive throughout the country.

Appointed were President Judge Eugene V. Alessandroni, Philadelphia, Grand Venerable of the Pennsylvania Order, region 1; Atty. William Amoroso, Washington, D. C., national deputy, region 2; Ex-Supreme Venerable George Spatuzza, Chicago, region 3, and Ex-Grand Venerable Peter J. Bertoglio, Pittsburgh, Calif., region 4.

\$400,000 Goal

A national goal of \$400,000 has been established. Work on the actual construction of the home will not begin until the national goal has been realized.

The Order's national home committee has made considerable progress since its inception at the close of the 1957 Supreme Lodge convention held in San Francisco.

Volpe reported early in 1958 on a site in the nation's capital that was favorable to the Order. His

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National Home News Gets Around

Andrew C. Bongiorno of Glen Cove, N. Y., venerable of Glen Cove Lodge No. 1016, has been keeping close watch in his area for news pertaining to the Order's proposed national home in Washington, D. C.

Brother Bongiorno recently mailed a number of news clippings to A. Alfred Marcello, director of OSIA NEWS and national Chairman of the Order's Committee on Public Relations.

The news stories have appeared in the Glen Cove Echo, The Record and Pilot and Newsday. The latter paper has the largest circulation of the Long Island newspapers.



SUPREME VENERABLE GIVEN 'KEY' TO MIAMI

Vice Mayor George W. DuBreuil of Miami, Fla., presents traditional 'key' to Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi on visit to mayor's office. From left to right, Assistant Grand Venerable Renzo Abbondandolo, Vice Mayor DuBreuil, Supreme Venerable Gorrasi, Supreme Trustee Louis A. Fiorentino and Grand Orator Mario Furnari.

Supreme Chaplain At Installation Of Florida Lodges

MIAMI, Fla.—The Rt. Rev. Guido L. Pallotta, Revere, Mass., National Chaplain for the Order, participated at installation ceremonies sponsored by Miami Lodge No. 1995 and Hialeah-Miami Springs Lodge No. 2069.

Monsignor Pallotta, recently appointed National Chaplain by Supreme Venerable Gorrasi, stressed in his remarks that Miami was the first city to receive him since his appointment.

Monsignor Pallotta is pastor of St. Anthony's Church. He formerly served as Grand Chaplain of the Massachusetts Grand Lodge.

Supreme Lodge

Council to Meet April 4 and 5 In Toronto

A meeting of the Executive Council of the Supreme Lodge will be held April 4 and 5 in Toronto, Canada.

Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi of Woburn, Mass., will preside at the meeting which will mark the first time that the Supreme Lodge has met outside the United States.

The two-day sessions will be held in the King Edward Hotel. Hosts will be the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

The Council members will be guests at a banquet to be held Saturday evening, April 4.

Among the important national topics to be discussed will be the Order's proposed national home in Washington, D. C.

Reports will also be given on membership, national insurance, revision on laws, historical society, finance, public relations and OSIA NEWS.

Gorrasi in Four-Day Visit to Florida Lodges

MIAMI, Fla.—Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi was given a warm welcome by members of the Florida Order during a recent four-day visit to Miami.

Highlight of his first official visit to the South, was his talks at an installation banquet and a state conference of Grand and local lodge officers.

Gorrasi was principal speaker at the installation banquet sponsored by Miami Lodge No. 1995 and Hialeah - Miami Springs Lodge No. 2069.

He stressed the need for members throughout the Order to talk and think on a national level and urged greater mass participation by members in all Supreme Lodge activities.

Supreme Chaplain

The Order's newly appointed National Chaplain, Rt. Rev. Msgr. Guido L. Pallotta of Revere, Mass., was introduced to Florida members.

Monsignor Pallotta partici-

pated at the installation of officers of the two lodges.

John A. Volpe of Winchester, Mass., national chairman of the Order's Home Committee, urged members to support the Order's project and asked that local chairmen within the state be given the fullest cooperation.

Other speakers included Grand Venerable Daniel DiBona, Vice Mayor George W. DuBreuil and Dr. Alfredo Tincheri, Italian consul general.

Brother Gorrasi was greeted on his arrival at the Miami Airport by Supreme Trustee Louis A. Fiorentino, Supreme Deputy Olindo Garofalo, Assistant Grand Venerable Renzo Abbondandolo, in charge of arrangements;

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Italian Nuns Appeal For Help

From time to time OSIA NEWS receives requests for assistance from individuals and groups from all walks of life.

Recently OSIA NEWS received an appeal for assistance from an Italian missionary order in Louisiana, the Pious Teachers of Our Lady of Sorrows Sisters.

The Sisters are comparative newcomers to the United States, coming from Italy about 12 years ago.

The scope of the religious order, whose general house is in Forlì, Italy, is devoted chiefly to the education of young girls.

The group at Pineville, Louisiana, under the guidance of Sister Superior Anita, maintain a Negro mission school.

Sister Superior Anita wrote the request for assistance, stating

that she had heard that OSIA NEWS "is for Italians in particular."

Because of the large number of Italians receiving OSIA NEWS, Sister Superior Anita felt obliged to seek their help through these pages.

In her request for aid, she said, "As we think of the many Italians here in the United States we feel that you more than anybody else we should appeal to . . . It is not easy to beg, however, we know that some persons are just waiting for an opportunity to help poor missions."

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The Order In Review

TEN YEARS AGO—1949

Supreme Venerable George J. Spatuzza of Chicago issued a call for a Supreme Council meeting in Philadelphia for March.

The City of Marsala, Italy was made a happier place because of the generosity of Lilliboo Lodge No. 1618 of Chicago. The lodge sent \$1000 to the Mayor of Marsala to be distributed among charitable institutions in the city.

The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts moved its headquarters to the Parker House office building, Boston. The Grand Lodge for many years had offices on Hanover street.

The Grand Lodge of the Northwest forwarded \$1000 to the national headquarters of the Cassino Memorial Orphanage Fund.

Three lodges in Reading, Pa., merged to form Reading Lodge No. 29. Pasquale Chila was named venerable.

FIVE YEARS AGO—1954

The Grand Lodge of Delaware added another new lodge to its roster with the inauguration of the San Gabriele Dell'Addolorata Lodge No. 2035. Grand Venerable John Ciotti presided at the initiation.



Gov. John Davis Lodge of Connecticut, honorary members of the Order, called on Connecticut's Congressional delegation to introduce measures in Congress for the erection of a memorial in the nation's capital in honor of Christopher Columbus.

Supreme Venerable Spatuzza outlined a two-year program for the Order in a message sent to all Grand Venerables and Venerables of affiliated lodges.

SPATUZZA The Order's Italian Culture Committee urged the Order to fight for recognition of Italian medical diplomas for the practice of medicine in some states in this country.

Miss Nikki Errico of Framingham was appointed president of the Massachusetts Junior Division Commission by Grand Venerable Joseph B. Silverio.

GORRASI VISIT TO MIAMI

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Grand Orator Mario Furnari, Grand Recording Secretary Jay M. Furnari, Grand Trustee Rose Marie Finicchio, and delegations representing the Miami and Hialeah Lodges.

Guest at Social

On his first evening, Brother Gorrasi was a guest at a social held at the home of Assistant Grand Venerable and Mrs. Abbondandolo. Attending were delegations from all Florida lodges.

The following day, Supreme Venerable Gorrasi was taken on a motor tour of Hialeah and Miami. He was accompanied by

Supreme Trustee Fiorentino, Assistant Grand Venerable Abbondandolo, Grand Orator Furnari and Sam Costanzo, venerable of Hialeah-Miami Lodge.

They were received by the mayor of each city and Gorrasi was presented with the key of the city of Miami from Vice Mayor George W. DuBreuil.

Following lunch at the Miami Wings Club, the Supreme Venerable and his party visited the statue of Columbus in the Park of the Americas of the University of Miami.

Gorrasi was guest of honor at a dinner in the evening held at the Columbus Hotel. Among the guests present was National Home Chairman Volpe.

The Supreme Venerable attended the installation the next day and the evening banquet at which he was principal speaker.

On the last day of his visit Supreme Venerable Gorrasi attended an executive meeting of the Grand Lodge. Attending were delegations from Tampa, Ft. Lauderdale, Hollywood, Miami, Hialeah-Miami Springs and West Palm Beach Lodges. Gorrasi was also honored at a luncheon held following the meeting.

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Massachusetts

Fr. Jacobbe Is New Chaplain

BOSTON—The Rev. Fr. Albert J. Jacobbe, pastor of Our Lady of the Assumption Church, East Boston, has been appointed Grand Chaplain of the Massachusetts Order by Grand Venerable John Guarino.

Father Jacobbe, who is chaplain of the Boston Juvenile Court, succeeds the Rt. Rev. Guido L. Pallotta, Revere, who was recently named to the office of National Chaplain for the Order.

Father Jacobbe, a native of East Boston, was ordained to the priesthood in 1926. He and Monsignor Pallotta were ordained on the same day by the late William Cardinal O'Connell. The two were the first Italian-American diocesan priests to be ordained in the Archdiocese of Boston.

Father Jacobbe has served as chaplain of the East Boston Lodge No. 242.

He has been chaplain of the Boston Juvenile Court since 1951. He also serves the juvenile section of the Suffolk Superior Court and is a member of the juvenile panel of the same court.

Father Jacobbe is also a member of the Grand Lodge Scholarship Committee. He received the appointment in 1955 from Grand Venerable Guarino.

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committee was authorized to make the purchase.

In September 1958 he reported that the committee favored demolition of the existing structure and that a modern building be erected. He introduced architect's plans which were approved.

The committee now will award a contract for the demolition of the building and is completing plans for a nation-wide drive to raise funds for the construction of a new home for the Order in Washington, D. C.

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sionary group is P. O. Box 866, Pineville, Louisiana.

Here is Sister Superior Anita's letter:

OSIA NEWS

288 Main St.

Worcester, Mass.

Dear Sir:

"We have heard about your OSIA NEWS as the paper for the Italians in particular. We are Italian Sisters who came here to work in Missionary work; many of the Italians around here are helping us."

"Since there are so many Italians who get the paper OSIA NEWS, will you kindly have in that paper the enclosed short article about our work. Maybe some will be willing to help us. We would appreciate your cooperation very much. May God bless you."

Sincerely yours in O.L.S.
(Signed) Sr. Anita, Superior
Our Lady of Sorrows Sisters

WORLD'S LARGEST

The largest Catholic high school in the world is the Cardinal Dougherty school in Philadelphia, one of 12 new ones founded since Cardinal O'Hara was installed as archbishop. According to the Catholic Digest, the school has 6,500 students.

Mass Participation

Operation Toronto

By A. ALFRED MARCELLO

Next month the Order Sons of Italy in America will once again make history. For the first time in the long history of our organization a meeting of top ranking officials of the Supreme Lodge will be held outside the confines of the United States. Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi has called a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Supreme Council for April 4 and 5 in Toronto, Canada.

Our Canadian brothers and sisters on a number of occasions have come to the United States for Supreme Lodge functions. But their numbers have been small. Now our brethren in Canada will have an opportunity to come out in large numbers and see for themselves how officials of the Supreme Lodge deliberate the affairs of the Order. The Toronto sessions will afford an excellent opportunity for not only members of the Canadian Order but also members in a number of States bordering Canada to observe officials of the Order in their deliberations.

Supreme Venerable Gorrasi has a word for this kind of action. He calls it "mass participation"—participation by the rank and file in matters on a Supreme Lodge level. Last September when plenary sessions of the Supreme Council were held in Washington, D. C., there was an outpouring of members from many states on the Eastern seaboard. They came at the express invitation of the Supreme Venerable to "come and see what your Supreme Lodge officials look like and observe them at close range while they deliberate matters affecting every member in the Order."

Those members who attended the Washington meeting went away with a new assessment of the Supreme Lodge. This was because they got a first-hand picture of how Supreme Lodge officials go about the serious business of formulating policies and "legislating" for the good of the Order.

At this writing the agenda for the Toronto meeting has yet to be finalized. But there will be a number of important matters to be acted on. At the top of the list are such matters as the Order's National Home in Washington, D. C.; plans for this year's Supreme Lodge convention to be held in Boston; further airing of the proposal for the Supreme Lodge to hold its 1961 convention in Rome, Italy, and, of course, the drive for new members throughout the United States and Canada.

Scene of the Toronto meeting will be the King Edward Hotel. We hope to see many new faces there.

ODDS AND ENDS—Pennsylvania lodges are well represented in this issue. This brings up an interesting point. It is quite obvious that some lodges are more publicity conscious than others. We don't know how Pennsylvania lodges do it, but month after month they see to it that OSIA NEWS receives plenty of material regarding their activities. We wish more lodges would avail themselves of OSIA NEWS. There is no reason why they shouldn't. All it takes is for lodges to appoint someone to be responsible for sending in material to OSIA NEWS every month. We'll do the rest.

Publicity About Our National Home

Surprising the amount of publicity the Order's National Home in Washington has received in newspapers throughout the country. We have quite a collection of clippings sent to us by members where material released by the Order's National Committee on Public Relations has been used in daily newspapers.

We thank these members for taking the trouble to mail these clippings. We hope other members who see clippings relating to the National Home will do likewise and send all newspaper stories to the Order's Public Relations Committee in care of OSIA NEWS.

These clippings are important because they help us evaluate the best method of publicizing activities on the Order on a national level.

Germantown, Pa.

Lodges To Note Anniversary

GERMANTOWN, Pa.—Officers of Germantown Lodge No. 683 will be honored at the 42nd anniversary banquet to be sponsored by the lodge on Saturday, March 14.

Honored will be Venerable Michael L. Strollo, Assistant Venerable Nicholas Santmero, Ex-Venerable Joseph Petruccelli, Orator Joseph Cramasta, Recording Secretary John Armenian, Financial Secretary Angelo Ventresca Jr., Treasurer Michael Pannullo; Jo-

ann Strollo, Florence Petrillo, Frank Andino, Joseph Messa, Gino Maimo, trustees; Reno Volgiano and Peter Coppozzi, masters of ceremonies; Pompeii Ventresca, sentinel.

Grand Trustee Ernest M. Strollo will be toastmaster.

The committee: Mariano Petruccelli, chairman; Mrs. Josephine Strollo Armenian, secretary; Mrs. Catherine Fresolone, treasurer; Tom Cummins, Anthony Paoletti and Domenic Pietrinerino.

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all Bay State supreme delegates, and Supreme Trustees Frank W. Liberatore and Mario F. DiTroia of Fitchburg and Winthrop, respectively.

This year's convention will also produce another sidelight. It will mark the first time that a Supreme convention will be held in a presiding Supreme Venerable's home state. Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi makes his home in Woburn.

Report To Our Readers

By A. ALFRED MARCELLO

Periodically we have made it a practice of reporting to our readers on the "state of OSIA NEWS." In these reports we have given members of the Order a glimpse into the financial structure of the Supreme Lodge's national publication. An audit of our books was completed recently and a report of this audit is now in the hands of the Supreme Venerable, the Supreme Financial Secretary and the four members of the OSIA NEWS Committee.

OSIA NEWS while a newspaper for a fraternal organization is in the final analysis a business enterprise. We have ledgers, our journals, etc., for a strict accountability of our assets and our liabilities. From the annual audit of our books we get an idea of what has taken place and where we are headed. Looking back on 1958 we find that it was a good year for OSIA NEWS. Good because throughout the year there was a steady growth in our circulation with the highest mark reached in December when our mailing lists reached the all-time high of 38,324.

We began the year 1958 with a mailing list of 34,920. During the year we increased our mailing lists by several thousands. For the 12-month period in 1958 we mailed 443,652 papers to members throughout the country. This whopping figure represents an increase of 7,837 over the total distribution of 435,815 in 1957.

It takes money, of course, to operate a business these days and OSIA NEWS is no exception. Inflationary costs of today are reflected in the operation of OSIA NEWS as they would be in any other business enterprise.

Yet, the remarkable feature is that while there were price increases here and there, the total operating expenses for 1958 was just a shade higher than those in 1957.

Our total operating costs for 1958 were \$18,425.15. In 1957 our operating costs were \$18,049.20. The figure is roughly \$375.00 higher than in 1957. But let us not lose sight of the fact that we distributed more papers in 1958 than we did in 1957. Every time we add a thousand or so names to our mailing list this increase is reflected in our operating costs. Our printing costs alone are \$9.90 for each additional thousand papers. Then there are costs for handling and postage. It all adds up.

Supreme Lodge

Where does the money come from to cover operating costs for OSIA NEWS? Well, we are largely dependent upon money received from the Supreme Lodge. In 1958 the Supreme Lodge sent OSIA NEWS a total of \$15,999.96 in allotments of \$1,333.33 per month. These funds were appropriated at the 1957 San Francisco convention and are disbursed to OSIA NEWS on a monthly basis.

Our only other income was what we received from such sources as bulk sale of newspapers, contributions and advertising. In 1958 income from these sources totalled \$1,969.75.

This income of \$1,969.75 was rather important to the

operation of OSIA NEWS. Without it we could not have increased our mailing lists as we did in 1958. Nor would it have been possible for me and/or my assistant Albert A. Maino to attend the sessions of the Executive Committee of the Supreme Council and plenary sessions of the Supreme Council.

This is one of the reasons why we lay so much stress

Circulation Has Passed 39,000.

OSIA NEWS circulation figures reached an all-time high with this issue as 39,144 copies were mailed to readers throughout the United States and Canada.

A total of 930 new names were added to the mailing list last month. The majority of these names were received from New York.

Previous high was reached in December 1958 when 38,324 papers were mailed to readers.

on the importance of those complimentary advertisements by the various lodges at the start of each New Year.

Operating Costs

How do operating costs for OSIA NEWS compare with those of similar publications?

The best yardstick is a comparative cost per reader for OSIA NEWS and monthly publications put out by some of our Grand Lodges.

On the basis of our current circulation or distribution the cost per reader is roughly 50 cents a year or a little more than four cents per month.

This compares with a dol-

Reason For Pope John's Election

An American newsman who had covered the Vatican for 10 years was "professionally upset" to realize after the last Papal election that, as a cardinal, Pope John XXIII had escaped his journalistic attention.

"But," Barrett McGurn writes in the March Catholic Digest, "I was comforted to learn that even many of the cardinals had known little about him."

In a profile on the new Pontiff, the correspondent suggests a reason for this apparent obscurity:

"The man who had risen to such honor and responsibility was one who had never sought them. 'From the time I was born,' he told a friend, 'I never had any thought but to be a country priest.'"

Ontario

Zaffiro Seated At Hamilton

HAMILTON, Ont. — Grand Venerable Anthony Farano presided at the installation of officers of Trieste Lodge No. 4. He was assisted by Aurelio DelPietro.

Officers seated were, Atty. Nicholas Zaffiro, venerable; Atty. Angelo J. Agro, assistant venerable; Louis Ranalli, ex-venerable; Atty. John A. Parente, orator; Pietro Cicchi, recording secretary; Flavio Pongetti, financial secretary; Vern Catania, treas-

lar or more which members of some Grand Lodges are paying each year for 12 issues of magazines or newspapers published by some of our state organizations.

Here are other interesting figures concerning our operation. Last year we paid out \$5,220.74 to our printers for 443,652 newspapers. Engraving costs for the entire year (this item is for cuts used in OSIA NEWS for the 12 issues published) was \$178.78. It is interesting to note that we used more than 180 cuts in 1958 or an average of 15 each month.

It cost \$549.10 in postage to mail these 443,652 papers in 1958.

Figures are not always pleasant to read, but they often tell an interesting story. We believe that what we have said here is interesting because light is shed on some phases of how OSIA NEWS operates.

OSIA NEWS is now in its 13th consecutive year of operation.

We have come a long way since October 1946 when our first edition went to press. We have grown from a 7,000 a month circulation in October 1946 to the current distribution of more than 39,000 copies a month.

We hope we can continue to grow; how far we go and how fast we get there is entirely up to the members of the Order. After all they are stockholders in OSIA NEWS and by their deliberations at Supreme Lodge conventions they dictate the road OSIA NEWS is to travel.

Comparison of Circulation Figures

HOW WE GREW IN 1958

Here is a table showing comparative circulation figures for the years 1957 and 1958:

	1957	1958
January	37,453	34,920
February	37,438	35,015
March	37,434	36,570
April	36,991	36,415
May	36,737	36,406
June	36,083	36,178
July	35,928	37,909
August	35,872	37,877
September	35,812	37,908
October	35,334	37,867
November	35,363	38,263
December	35,370	38,324
Totals	435,815	443,652

Letters From Our Readers

IN THE MAILBAG

This column is open to all readers for expressions of opinion. As an evidence of good faith contributors are expected to sign name and address. When it is so requested the name will not be published. Letters will be published in the order they are received.

ORDER'S PUBLICATION A BIG JOB

To the Editor of OSIA NEWS:

The Venerable of the Prince of Piedmont Lodge, Domenico Pignati, sends his congratulations to you and your staff for a job well done. You print the OSIA NEWS every month so we can keep in touch with the Order Sons of Italy in America. This is a big job and a tiring one, we appreciate your efforts. We read this paper from cover to cover and wish there were more.

In behalf of the Venerable and the members of the Prince of Piedmont Lodge, I am enclosing a small donation of \$10.00. This is to show our appreciation for your hard work and we know that you will continue to do so.

Grand Venerable Americo C. DiFrancesco
Wilmington, Del.

OSIA NEWS READ FROM 'COVER TO COVER'

To the Editor of OSIA NEWS:

I would like to congratulate you on such a splendid paper. In eight pages you learn so much about the Order. Keep up the good work. I read it from cover to cover.

Mrs. Josephine Strollo Armenio, Germantown, Pa.

OSIA NEWS PERFECT VEHICLE OF GOOD WILL

To the Editor of OSIA NEWS:

May I with all sincerity say that you are doing an excellent job and OSIA NEWS is a perfect vehicle of good will and a factor in making the subordinate lodges feel the unity of the Order. We often glean from the pages of OSIA NEWS material for local publicity, such as the national home, the Supreme Council meetings and the Grand Lodge convention. We are very grateful to you.

Recording Secretary Michael M. Miller, Corning, N. Y.

Massachusetts Junior Lodges

Initiate At Waltham

WALTHAM, Mass. — The initiation of a class of 13 junior members highlighted the installation ceremonies sponsored by Waltham Junior Girls' Lodge.

New members inducted were Patricia Beninati, Mary Noah, Lorraine Marmonti, Joanne Mikula, Diane Rigoli, Carol Salamone, Linda Vitale, Ann Doorkian, Ann Fucci, Sandra Rigoli, Anita Barlow, Theresa Orifice and Catherine Camerato.

Initiate, Install At Lawrence

LAWRENCE, Mass. — The Lawrence Girls' Junior Lodge held a mass initiation and installation of officers at the American Legion Hall in North Andover.

Joseph V. Nuccio, president of the Massachusetts Junior Division Commission, was installing officer. He was assisted by Mrs. Josephine DeMarie, supervisor.

Officers installed, Lucille Sasso, venerable; Connie Padellaro, ex-venerable; Geraldine DeMonaco, assistant venerable; Grace Guerrera, orator; Marie DeLuca, secretary; Lucille Sergi, treas-

urer; Mary Concemi, Affia Privitera, Mary Frank Garfi, Elaine Gervasi and Ann Pappalardo, trustees; Judy DeMonaco, sgt-at-arms; Brenda Bonacorsi, sentinel.

Bay State Order Inducts 84 in 1959

BOSTON — The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts recruited 84 new members during the first two months of 1959.

Reports published in the Sons of Italy Magazine show that 39 members were inducted in January and 45 members were recruited in February.

Social for Scholastic Fund at Syracuse

SYRACUSE, N. Y. — Members of Golden Jubilee Lodge will sponsor a card party March 11 at the Italian Community House to raise funds for the Lodge's scholarship fund.

Miss Lee DeJuleo is general chairman. Mrs. Victor Samora is co-chairman and Aida Sansone Ranalli is publicity chairman.

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urer; Atty. Joseph Macaluso, Eusebio Giardino, Silvreso Berardo, Louis Mascia, Attilio Bolella, trustees; Donald Olivieri and Ettore Sanguiro, masters of ceremonies; Joseph DelCol, sentinel.

13 New Members Inducted Into Order At Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — A class of 13 new members was inducted into the Order at ceremonies sponsored by Vittoria Veneto Lodge.

Guests included Umberto Troiano Jr., and Gabriele DeDonato, former grand officers.

Italian Magazine Publishes Two Articles on the Order

The work of the Order Sons of Italy in America continues to reach the people of Italy through the pages of *Italia Mondo*, an Italian magazine published in Rome.

The magazine published two articles dealing with the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania's tour of Italy and the Order's Garibaldi-Meucci Memorial Museum at Staten Island, N. Y.

The articles appeared in the November-December 1958 international edition.

The article on the Pennsylvania tour of Italy is supplemented with two pictures. One shows the group and the other is of Grand Recording Secretary Ernest L. Biagi of Philadelphia, tour director, and Supreme Trustee Dr. A. L. Ventura of Norristown.

The article on the Order's museum was written to highlight the life of Garibaldi, the patriot, and Meucci, the inventor, during their stay in America. The author is Giuseppe Quatriglio.

The author makes note that the Order acquired the Staten Island property in 1915 and since that time has transformed the home into a museum housing a number of exhibits which highlight the careers of the two men.

Passing of An Official of the Order

Palmer DiGiulio, Illinois

Palmer DiGiulio, Joliet, Ill., attorney and chairman of the Order's Committee on Immigration and Naturalization, died recently following a short illness.

Brother DiGiulio had served as a member of the immigration committee for a number of years, and had been made chairman in 1955 by then Supreme Venerable George J. Spatuzza of Chicago.



DIGIULIO

Well versed in matters pertaining to immigration, DiGiulio had practiced immigration and nationality law for 23 years and during that time had become thoroughly familiar with the various problems which arise under such law.

He was also a student of social science and population problems.

Brother DiGiulio had been a member of the Order for 34 years. His wife Pasqua, and their three children, Vincent, Robert and Jerine, are all members of Aquila Abruzzi Lodge No. 1376. His father, the late Ruggerio DiGiulio, was one of the lodge founders.

He was born at Villetta-Barrea, province of Aquila, Italy, on March 31, 1898. His parents brought him to this country in 1902. Two years later he was taken back to Italy, where he remained until 1911.

Back in the United States again, at age 13, he worked in the steel mills for a time and worked variously as a blacksmith, bolt maker, prison guard, mail carrier, deputy sheriff and postal employee.

It was while working as a prison guard in 1923 that a befriended prisoner suggested he become a lawyer. Several months later, with the idea still strong within him, he decided that law was to be his chosen profession.

DiGiulio's formal education to the age of 25, had consisted of attending night school in Rome as a boy of 11, and about a year of grade school here in this country.

He needed high school and college credits to achieve his goal.

In four years' time he had completed the equivalent of a complete high school course and two years of college. In June 1927 he was ready to undertake the study of law. He arranged to study law

under the direction of an attorney and became associated with a law firm.

For the next three years Brother DiGiulio continued his studies and successfully passed various examinations given by the State Board of Law Examiners. In 1931 he was eligible to take final bar examinations. He was successful and in October of that year he was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois.



READY PLANS FOR PENNSYLVANIA JUNE CONVENTION

Grand Recording Secretary Ernest L. Biagi, seated right, outlines highlights of the forthcoming Pennsylvania Grand Lodge convention scheduled for June 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30 at Reading. Seated are, Joseph Giambol, left, state commissioner of hospitalization, and Grand Treasurer Anthony Zaffiro, general chairman and alderman of the First Ward. Standing are, Thomas W. Cadmus, left, executive director of the Reading-Berks Chamber of Commerce, and Francis H. Mills, manager of the Abraham Lincoln Hotel.



JOE DIMAGGIO VISITS LEBANON, PA.

Joe DiMaggio, former New York Yankee baseball great, center, visits with officials of the San Giorgio Macaroni Co., as goodwill ambassador and salesman for the V. H. Monette Co. of Smithfield, Va. From left to right, Henry Guerrisi, office manager; Robert Guerrisi, company vice president; DiMaggio, Raymond Guerrisi, president, and Joseph Guerrisi, treasurer. Both Raymond and Joseph are active members of the Italia Rinascente Lodge in Lebanon.



"FATHER BAFARO CLASS" INDUCTED AT WORCESTER, MASS.

Domenick Conto, seated, second left, venerable of Christopher Columbus Lodge No. 168 of Worcester, Mass., is shown with class of new members inducted recently. Seated, left to right, William G. Scola, Venerable Conto, the Rev. Michael P. Bafaro, curate at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, for whom the class was named; Alfred J. Mattei and Michael R. Lopardo; standing, left to right, John J. Shea, Ercolino J. Budano and Salvatore F. Grecia.

Worcester, Mass. Lodge Inducts New Class

WORCESTER, Mass. — The Rev. Michael P. Bafaro, curate at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, and six other men were initiated recently into Christopher Columbus Lodge in Columbus Hall.

The "Father Bafaro Class," as they are called, is the first to be initiated during the current recruitment campaign.

Besides Father Bafaro, new members are Salvatore F. Grecia, John J. Shea, William G. Scola, Michael R. LoPardo, Alfred J. Mattei, and Ercolino J. Budano.

Alfred A. Molinari, lodge trustee, was installing officer.

In other business at the lodge meeting, officers for the year were nominated.

They are: John J. Bello, venerable; Henry Iannotta, assistant venerable; Arthur A. Forcaro, orator; Robert N. Scola, recording secretary; Angelo J. Aiello, financial secretary; and Carl Particianone, treasurer.

Also Nunziato Cosenza, Felix Bello, Vincent A. Caracciolo, Jerry Gallo, Alfred J. Pasquerella, trustees; Frances X. Pagano, Pasquale Pannese, inner guards; and Felix Caracciolo, sergeant-at-arms.

Nominated delegates were Arthur Forcaro, Domenic J. Conto, Felix Scricco, Joseph Toscano, Pasquale Bertone, John J. Bello, Angelo Aiello, Alfred J. Pasquerella, Nunziato Cosenza, Vincent Caracciolo, and Carl Particianone. Six will be elected.

Abitrators

Nominated arbitrators, Alfred A. Molinari, Jerry Gallo, Luigi Giarino, Michael Parlante, Francis Morano, and assistant arbitrators, Rocco Paciello, Anthony Papale, Felix Scricco, Henry Favilli, and Salvator D'Ambra.

Nominated lodge doctor was Dr. Carlo P. Benaglia.

Officers will be elected March 15 at 2:30 p.m. in Columbus Hall.

James Iannucci District 3 Speaker

WEST CHESTER, Pa.—Assistant Grand Venerable James Iannucci, Philadelphia attorney, was principal speaker at the seventh annual dinner-dance sponsored by lodges of District 3.

More than 400 attended the event held at the Italian Social Club.

Iannucci deplored the fact that original objectives of the organization are not stressed as much as they were when the members were struggling to obtain recognition for Italian immigrants as first class citizens of the United States.

Young People Needed

"We must have younger people in the Order," he said "and I'm afraid that in urging them to join we are using the wrong approach. Too much stress is being placed on the social advantages. We talk to prospective members of our beautiful clubhouses, dances and social advantages. It is fine to have these to offer but the important thing is the mission of the Order with its spiritual values and important objectives designed to make all of us fine and worthy Americans."

Emphasizing the continued need of growth and progress, Iannucci said:

"We must grow and expand or our Order will decay and die. To do this we need the spiritual vigor of pioneers. We must rediscover and reaffirm our faith in the spiritual to achieve the important objectives for which the order was formed."

Other Speakers

Other speakers included Grand Trustee John J. Teti, district chairman, and the Rev. William Faunce, assistant rector of St. Agnes Church.

Guests were, Grand Orator Nicholas Cipriani, Robert Marino, vice chairman of the district; Mrs. Robert Toroni, district secretary; Venerable James Bucci, Venerable Anthony Granieri, Anthony L. Stancato, president of the Italian Social Club, and Hugh V. McDevitt, managing editor of the Daily Local News.

Anthony Bruno, venerable of Guido Baccelli Lodge No. 687, was toastmaster.

Cesare DiMarzio was general chairman. Assisting were Adele Muzio, Mary Lipuman, Catherine DiSabatino, Paul Bruno and Lawrence Spaziani.

Women's Division Inducts Auxiliary In Pennsylvania

MINERSVILLE, Pa.—Mrs. Mary Ciccarone, president of the Women's Division of the Grand Lodge, presided at the inauguration of a new ladies' auxiliary here.

Officers of the new auxiliary include, Mrs. Theresa Ricciotti, president; Mrs. Josephine DiRenzo, vice president; Mrs. Margaret Russian, recording secretary; Mrs. Marie Taglieri, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Adeline Faust, treasurer; Mrs. Connie DiRenzo, Mrs. Bertha Macario, Mrs. Anna O'Brien, Mrs. Stella Land, Mrs. Jean Cola, trustees; Mrs. Mary Yannaccone, chaplain.

Mrs. Victor Evangelist served as herald at the installation of the new officers.



40-YEAR MEMBER HONORED

Atty. Michael C. Rainone, venerable of the Renaissance Lodge of Philadelphia, presents special award to Mrs. Anna Niglio in observance of her 40th year as a member of the Order.

Alessandroni Birthday Party

PHILADELPHIA — A large gathering of friends attended a birthday party given in honor of President Judge Eugene V. Alessandroni, Grand Venerable of the Pennsylvania Order.

Grand Orator Nicholas Cipriani was toastmaster at the party held in the ballroom of the Sons of Italy building.

Speakers included Assistant Grand Venerable James Iannucci, Assistant Grand Venerable Americo V. Cortese, both of whom made presentations; Judge Adriano Bonnelly, Italian Consul General Lucioli, Andrea Lippi and Grand Recording Secretary Ernest L. Biagi.

Cortese Speaker At Pittsburgh

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Assistant Grand Venerable Americo V. Cortese, Philadelphia attorney, was principal speaker at the 35th anniversary dinner sponsored by Beatrice Portinari Lodge No. 1266 at the Webster Hall Hotel in Oakland.

Other speakers include Italian Vice Consul Filippo Anfuso, Mrs. Irma D'Ascenzo and Grand Trustee Charles Caputo, who also served as toastmaster.

Mary DiBella was general chairman. Members of the executive committee included, Mary DePizzo, Lillie Miglioretti, Mildred Corrado and Mary Napolitano.

Sewickley, Pa. Installation

SEWICKLEY, Pa.—Luigi Vescio has been installed venerable of Nicola Misasi Lodge No. 1177 at ceremonies held in the lodge quarters.

Other officers are, Pietro Danaso, assistant venerable; Michael Maraca, ex-venerable; Sam Mannitti, orator; Joseph R. Depace, recording secretary; Ignazio Tallarico, financial secretary; Joseph Gariti, treasurer; Jerry Vescio, Pasquale Chirumbolo, Arturo Padevese, Thomas Pallone, Bruno Raso, trustees; Mariano Sgre and Antonio Vescio, master of ceremony; Gaetano Neta, sentinel.

Mrs. Victor Evangelist served as herald at the installation of the new officers.



PHILADELPHIA'S TEMPLE CLUB PRESENTED UNIVERSITY FLAG
Sidney Schatz, second from left, president of the Temple University Downtown Club inspects university flag, gift of the Pennsylvania Grand Lodge. Presentation was made by President Judge Eugene V. Alessandroni, second from right, Grand Venerable of the Pennsylvania Order. Attending the presentation ceremonies were Supreme Financial Secretary Americo A. DeMartini, left, and Grand Recording Secretary Ernest L. Biagi.

Bay State Mother-Daughter Make Novel Piano Duet Team



Mrs. Mustillo and daughter Elisa

Mrs. Mary Mustillo, first venerable of Littoria Lodge No. 1890 of Attleboro, Mass., is observing her nineteenth year as a member of the Order.

Mrs. Mustillo, who is better known professionally in her area as Lima, is an accomplished pianist, having devoted much of her time and talent to the progress of the lodge.

Recently Mrs. Mustillo inaugurated a novel musical innovation. She has teamed up with her daughter Elisa and they are now performing as a piano duet team.

She has held a number of offices since the inception of the

lodge, among them being: venerable for a second term, trustee, grand deputy and grand delegate.

Mrs. Mustillo's career began at an early age and through the years she has held a number of musical assignments.

She has directed choirs, glee-clubs and has played as church organist. Also, she maintains a music school where she teaches piano, voice and accordion.

Throughout her musical career Mrs. Mustillo has worked towards two goals: teaching others to appreciate and understand all types of music, and the promotion of all things Italian.

Pennsylvania

Grand Lodge Presents Flag To Temple Club

PHILADELPHIA — President Judge Eugene V. Alessandroni, Grand Venerable of the Pennsylvania Order, presented a flag to the Downtown Club of Temple University at a recent meeting held in the John Bartram Hotel.

Supreme Financial Secretary Americo A. DeMartini introduced Judge Alessandroni, who presented the University flag to Sidney Schatz, club president. The flag was donated by the Pennsylvania Order.

Judge Alessandroni praised Temple University for its recent expansion and for the opportunities extended to many students of Italian descent, who have graduated from the University's schools and are now in the professions, honoring the school, the community and the nation.

Grand Council members invited to the luncheon included, Assistant Grand Venerable Americo V. Cortese, Grand Recording Secretary Ernest L. Biagi, Grand Financial Secretary Josephine Parrillo, Grand Trustee Ernest M. Strollo, Frank Tropea, FUM president; Charles Amodei, Dante School president; Joseph Valeo, hospitalization fund president, and Mrs. Mary Ciccarone, Women's Division president.

The flag will be flown outside the hotel on the scheduled meeting days of the club.

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Puff-Puffs Into Oblivion

ROME (I.T.S.)—By 1961, the Italian railways are planning to celebrate the centenary of United Italy by abolishing the last of the steam-drawn trains. By that time, eight thousand kilometers of line are expected to be running on electricity and the rest will be all diesel-powered. Also by then, tracks on the trunk lines will all have been re-laid with heavy rail allowing for a considerable increase in speed. Time between Milan and Rome, for instance, will be cut a further 30 minutes to five hours and a half.

A special feature in further knitting Europe together is also being planned under the guise of a train that will run from Milan to Paris, via Switzerland, in eight hours. This calls for special "polycurrent" locomotives as Italy, Switzerland and France have all, alas, adopted different voltages and systems of electric train traction.

Replacements Hard To Come By

Crisis in the Swiss Guards

VATICAN CITY—(I.T.S.)—The most photographed and oldest permanent army in the world is suffering from anemia. Colonel Robert Nunlist, Commander of the Pope's Swiss Guard, is having a hard time replacing with fresh recruits his resplendent men whose uniform is said to have been designed by Michelangelo himself. Their number, which was last fixed by Pius X at 115 halberdiers plus 5 officers, is now down to 80, and may further diminish if a new surge of enthusiasm does not sweep the Swiss Catholic mountain valleys where the "Guardie Svizzere" traditionally come.

It was in 1505 that Pope Julius II first sent emissaries to Switzerland to raise a guard of 150 men to protect his own person. The old warrior Pope knew that he had tread on enough toes to spark the thought of shortening his days in many a breast. Young men from the distant mountains who could speak no Italian might best be trusted to help him live out his allotted years.

Swiss Youths

On January 22, of the year 1506, the first Swiss youth arrived. It was the very year in which work on the new Church of St. Peter was started. The great Rome of the Renaissance was already in full beat. The novelty of the Swiss guards fitted well into a city already swarming with artists and adventurers from distant lands. And it was a novelty. For, up to then, foreign mercenaries had only been engaged temporarily, for one season, to fight this or that cam-

paign (wars were invariably fought in summer and closed down with the first autumn rains) Thus the Swiss were the first permanent foreign army ever engaged.

The hiring of the Swiss proved a good investment for the Papacy. Twenty years later, on May 6 of 1527, when the imperial army of Charles V entered Rome to sack and burn the city, they died to the last man, allowing Pope Clement VII time to get into Castle Sant'Angelo where he weathered the storm. May 6 is still the Swiss Guards' "corps day," the day in which new recruits swear to defend the Pope "usque ad affusionem sanguinis" — even unto the shedding of blood.

Serious Role

The Swiss have always taken this role quite seriously. Colonel Repoult, who, 50 years ago, reformed and tightened the discipline of the corps, was so hipped on the militant role of his men that for days he went around with a chip on his shoulder because Pius X had laughed at his proposal to place cannon on top of St. Peter's, in block-houses to be constructed on the vast terraces under the cupola.

The Romans have always kidded — and loved — the Swiss Guard. Jokes on their alleged slowness to react and their taciturnity have been embodied in song and legend. The story is still told of how Pius IX interrogated a Swiss guard on how late his (the Pope's) nephew was in the habit of coming home at night. Loyally, the guard answered that he did not know the hour. Then added: "But I always say goodmorning to him."

The difficulty in finding new recruits is attributed by the present commanding Colonel to the high standard of living in Switzerland, as well as to the ease of travel in our day. Time was when a youth in Switzerland would gladly sign up for a chance to get to Rome and see the world. Many a future Swiss artist, or writer, (or monk) started life with a stint in Rome wearing the yellow and blue stripes and shining breast-plate, and marching to and fro in front of the Vatican's "Bronze Door."

And many are the "guards" who have married girls of Rome and settled down, as Romans, in the shadow of the mighty Dome.

Villa in Sicily

Piazza Armerina Mystery

SICILY (I.T.S.) — Who could possibly have built and owned the gorgeous Roman Villa at Piazza Armerina in the heart of Sicily is still being debated by the experts. The fact that such a costly and sumptuous residence should have been built at all in such an out-of-the-way neck of the woods baffles all who have tried to solve the problem. With the unearthing of every new mosaic, bathing pool, and porticoed tepidarium, the mystery thickens.

Nicknamed the Bikini Girls Villa because of a mosaic representing girl gymnasts and divers in tape-wide garments, the edifice, when first discovered a dozen years ago, was thought to be a late sample of Roman architecture — possibly after the year 300 of our era. Gradually, on the strength of surmise, ownership was attributed to one of the "tretrarchs" Emperor Massimianus Herculeus, who resigned together with Diocletian in 305. Only a former emperor, it was felt, could have built for himself such a regal abode in which to retire.

As the size and value of the place comes into better view, it is being pointed out, however, that Massimianus, after his resignation, spent the five remaining years of his life mostly in Northern Italy and Gaul. How could he have found the time, and the will, to erect such an elaborate hideaway in Sicily?

Now, Professor Biago Pace has come out with new hypothesis: the villa may have been built by one Antiocus, who was pro-consul in Sicily in 395 A.D. Two letters to him by Simmacus are extant, in one of which the Roman author mentions a new type of mosaic. In the "Great Hunt" mosaic scene at Piazza Armerina definitely a new technique is employed. The reference in the letter would thus be explained.

California Lodges Install

SANTA ROSA, Calif. — Grand Venerable and Mrs. Attilio Raeta were guests at the joint installation and banquet sponsored by Eusebio Chini Lodge No. 1595 and Santa Rose Ladies' Lodge No. 1898.

Salvatore Argento, former assistant grand venerable, was master of ceremonies.

Men's lodge officers seated, Joseph Moscon, venerable; Lorenz Morrow, ex-venerable; John Barella, assistant venerable; Evasio Brezzo, orator; Domenico Carinali, recording secretary; Ritz Guggiana, financial secretary; Guido Limoni, treasurer; Augusto Bertulucci, Charles Guaspari, Piero Paolini, Luigi Bianchi, trustees; Paulo Fomasi and Madel Guggiana, masters of ceremony; James Moro, sentinel.

Ladies' lodge officers seated, Anna Guglielmini, venerable; Angelina Giovannetti, ex-venerable; Livia Romoli, assistant venerable; Anna Gelardi, orator; Andrea Bordessa, Marie Bertulucci, Nalcisa DelRossa, Umbertina Mora, Cilio Papera and Wilma Bianchi, trustees; Pasquala Mattiari, Emma Pieri, masters of ceremony; Isuia Poli, recording secretary; Irene Acquistapace, financial secretary, Rose Babbin, treasurer; Emma Trione, sentinel.

Cozy Peace Atoms

ROME (I.T.S.) — When the Popes first, and Mussolini later, carried out their great works to dry the Pontine Marshes, south of Rome, they thought mainly in terms of abolishing malaria and creating new farmland. Now, that same Pontine plain is earmarked for the first industrial atomic plant to be built in Italy.

The corner-stone of the triple series of buildings comprising a nuclear reactor, a plant for transforming the heat from the reactor into steam, and an ordinary turbine electric generator plant, was laid in November at Foce Verde in the province of Latina. In three years time the entire pile covering fifteen acres is expected to start producing 400 million yearly kilowatt-hours of power.

The British "Nuclear Power Plant Company" is building the reactor and the transformer along the lines adopted at Calder Hall in England. The reactor will use ordinary metallic uranium (and not its Uranium 235 isotope) and the heat from the reactor to the steam producing plant will be circulated through a closed gas circuit which avoids dispersion of radioactive material into the surrounding atmosphere.

Power produced by this nuclear plant will be more expensive than that produced in Italy from hydroelectric sources, but will about equal the cost of power produced through coal-burning steam plants for which Italy must import coal from distant mines.

Adriatica's Spring Schedule

Adds Three Liners To Fleet

Adriatica Line's fleet will be augmented this spring with the entry into service of three new motorvessels BERNINA, STELVIO and BRENNERO.

Launched last summer, the three 4350 gross-ton sisterships are being outfitted at Italian shipyards. The BERNINA will be the first to enter service on February 24, and will be followed by the STELVIO on March 24, and the BRENNERO on April 22. The ships, each carrying only 81 passengers in First Class, will have a friendly, yacht-like atmosphere, with the emphasis on spaciousness. There will be imposing public rooms, extra-large staterooms containing either one or two berths, and broad decks for outdoor living. The vessels will be fully airconditioned and equipped

with stabilizer fins to reduce rolling in heavy seas.

The three ships will be used in Adriatica Line's Italy - Egypt-Anatolia-Greece service on a cruise itinerary that will include Grand Tours at ports of call. Weekly departures for the 20-day cruises will be alternately from Trieste and Genoa.

Typical itinerary is that of the STELVIO which starts at Trieste on March 24, calls at Venice, Bari, Corfu, Alexandria, Port Said, Beirut, Famagusta, Latakia, Rhodes, Izmir, Piraeus, Naples and Marseilles, and winds up in Genoa.

Italian Line, whose weekly sailings from New York offer close connections with Adriatica ships at Italian ports, is general agent for Adriatica in the United States and Canada.

Annetta Berardi Heads Lodge For 30th Year

ELLWOOD CITY, Pa. — Mrs. Annetta Berardi has been named venerable for the thirtieth consecutive year by members of Corona D'Italia Lodge No. 807.

Other officers are, Lucia Lutti, assistant venerable; Vittoria Nardine, ex-venerable; Mary Perrett, orator; Pierina Rossi, recording secretary; Yolanda Prosperini, financial secretary; Giulia Tucek, treasurer; Teresa Furetti, Adele Pellicione, Anne Pratt, Rosi DiCarlo, Pauline Morelli, trustees; Cilla DiGennaro, Anna Hachett, masters of ceremony; Giuseppina Valvano, sentinel.

Dominick Bartholome, Skokie, Ill., Passes

SKOKIE, Ill. — Dominick Bartholome, a founder and assistant venerable of Skokie Valley Lodge No. 2046, died recently following a short illness.

Brother Bartholome had also served the lodge as a trustee.

Grand Trustee Dominick M. Alberti officiated at the reading of the ritual of the Order at the North Side Chapel funeral service.

He leaves his wife, Stella, a daughter, Linda, and two brothers, Luigi and Nello of California.

Mario Tonelli Named To Building Committee

SKOKIE, Ill.—Mario Tonelli, trustee of Skokie Valley Lodge No. 2046, has been named to the lodge's building committee.

He will serve with Victor F. Ponto, committee chairman. Brother Tonelli is serving his first term as lodge trustee.

Man Without A Country—Fact or Fiction

Did "The Man Without a Country" really exist?

Only in the fictitious account written by Edward Everett Hale. But, the Catholic Digest notes in its March issue, in the 95 years since it was written, many readers have assumed the tale was based on fact.

According to the famous story, a young army officer named Philip Nolan was charged with playing a part in Aaron Burr's conspiracy to establish an empire in the Southwest. During his trial, the frenzied officer cried, "Damn the United States! I wish I may never hear of the United States again!"

His sentence fulfilled that wish. He was placed aboard a naval vessel to spend the rest of his life out of sight and without word of the U.S.

President of Argentina

A 50-year-old lawyer, the son of Italian immigrants, occupies the most important post in the Argentine nation today.

Dr. Arturo Frondizi has been president of the Argentine since last May. Few men of Italian ancestry occupy such high posts. And few men in history have ever been called upon to tackle such complex problems as those that now face the Chief Executive of one of the most important nations in the American hemisphere.

Arturo Frondizi is a straight six-foot ascetic with dark brows and a piercing gaze behind high-perched horn-rimmed glasses. Cartoonists delight in his appearance, and his lean figure has saddled him with "skinny" as a nickname. He consumes no tobacco and little wine. As a campaigner he visited the remote districts and outlying provinces as most candidates did not, but he avoids extrovert mannerisms and emotional oratory. Since students were exempt from military service during his university days, he has no army background. He is intellectual in type, and in spite of having been jailed for 20 days as a student political rioter, his approach to politics has remained that of the scholar.

Born in 1908

The President was born October 28, 1908, at Paso de los Libres in the province of Corrientes, straight north from Buenos Aires. His parents were Julio Frondizi and Isabel Ercoli, who arrived in Argentina as a young recently-married couple in the year 1890. They came from Gubbio, in the province of Umbria, Italy, and eventually had 14 children, of whom Arturo was the thirteenth.

Arturo Frondizi's father was a contractor. He established a business in Corrientes province and built bridges and roads across the Litoral from Santa Fe to Misiones.

While the children — nine boys and five girls — were growing up, their mother insisted that they study regularly. At times the family was divided, the elder sons studying with the mother and the younger children with the father.

AT INAUGURATION OF OHIO GOVERNOR



Grand Venerable Anthony O. Calabrese of East Cleveland, left, and Supreme Trustee Anthony E. Candela of Ashtabula, right, congratulate Anthony DiSalle of Toledo, at the inauguration of his son, Michael DiSalle, as governor of Ohio. Both Governor DiSalle and his father are members of Christopher Columbus Lodge No. 772 of Toledo.

As a matter of service to our legion of readers, OSIA NEWS, from time to time will publish material concerned with men of Italian origin who have achieved international prominence. Here is the first of such articles. The material for this article was furnished by the Argentine Information Service of the Argentine Embassy in Washington, D. C.

wherever his work happened to take him. This mode of life meant that young Arturo saw much more of Argentina than most youngsters of his age.

In those early days the father's business thrived and, consequently, Frondizi senior was often able to take the family to Italy on vacation. However, as the family grew, the expense became too great and four of the younger children missed their trips. They were: Orestes (later to become Arturo Frondizi's collaborator in the Union Civica Radical Intransigente), Silvio, professor of political law and leader of a small political group ('Praxis'), Arturo, and Risieri, now rector of the University of Buenos Aires. One of Arturo's sisters went to Italy, married, and still lives there.

Buy Home in Palermo

When the elder children were ready for the university, the parents bought a house in Palermo, a residential suburb of Buenos Aires. At that time Arturo was still going through the primary grades.

When he was ready for secondary school, the boy returned to Concepcion del Uruguay, Entre Rios province, with one of his sisters. They lived with their father who had a construction project nearby.

When Arturo was 13, the Frondizi family decided they would definitely remain in Buenos Aires and Arturo was sent to the Mariano Moreno National College in the capital. Meanwhile, they came into difficult financial straits. Arturo and one of his sisters took part-time jobs in a drugstore. In 1927, when he was 19, Arturo entered the University of Buenos Aires. Torn between

medicine and law, he eventually decided on the latter.

In spite of the fact that he 'lived out' and attended very few classes, he gained an honors diploma within the exceptionally short period of three years.

Although Arturo was not then affiliated with the Radical Party, his political life really began seriously on September 6, 1930.

The fall of president Hipolito Yrigoyen on that date saw the start of civil action against the de facto government. Until this moment there had never been a politician in the Frondizi family. Basically, they were Radical sympathizers, although the father only joined the party after the fall of Yrigoyen.

He had still not been inscribed in the Law Courts as a lawyer when he was arrested for taking part in street demonstrations. He spent 20 days in Villa Devoto jail.

Joins Party

He joined the Radical Party in 1931; at the age of 22, adhering strictly to the 'intransigent' faction.

In 1932 he and his friends formed the 'Agrupacion Civica de Orientacion Radical,' now generally accepted as the forerunner of the Intransigent Movement (of the Radical Party) which years later was to win leadership of the main party.

In 1930, Frondizi had met Elena Faggionato, daughter of immigrants who, like Frondizi's parents, were natives of Umbria. They were married in 1933. In 1937 Elena ('Elenita'), their only child, was born. She is studying law. She has been to school in the United States.

Mrs. Frondizi is retiring by nature and avoids the spotlight, but she has been an active researcher and adviser to her husband in the writing of his books and in preparation of his speeches. Their daughter spends much time with her father, and friends of the family say she is anxious to help in his public life.

During the decade 1930 to 1940, Frondizi divided his attention between politics, the lecture room, journalism, and jurisprudence — specializing in civil and commercial law. He also continued his studies in the fields of economy and social science.

On July 19, 1946, he delivered his first lecture on political economy to the Instituto Popular de Conferencias in the salon of the newspaper "La Prensa." He also was president of the Lawyers' Association and took part in the activities of the Cultural Association of Radical Doctrine, the Association of Political and Economic Studies, the Center of Economic Studies, the Radical University Committee, the Free College of Higher Studies (whose review he edited), the Alejandro Korn Popular University, and the Florentino Ameghino Cultural Association, whose publications he also edited.

Edited "Pais Libre"

Frondizi also founded and edited the review "Pais Libre" (Free Country), gave dozens of lectures, and published diverse works concerning law, politics, social science, and economy.

He has visited the United States, as well as Europe including Britain, France, Italy, and Spain.

When he was elected to the Congress in 1946, Frondizi was one of the 44 Radical, Unionist and Intransigent deputies who represented the opposition. In 1948 this group entrusted to him the task of keeping watch on the



President Frondizi's hours of relaxation are spent at Los Olivos, the official residence, with his wife Elena, and their only child, Elenita, a 21-year-old law student.

economic conduct of the government concerning power, the mining industry, the administration of public lands, military factories, the state foreign-trading agency, tax reforms, and international political policy. In 1951 he ran for vice-president on the opposition ticket and was defeated.

Frondizi was sworn in as President of the Argentine Republic on May 1, 1958, which the New York Times called "indeed, a historic day for Buenos Aires and for the collective democracy of the western hemisphere." Events challenged this optimism almost immediately. The accumulated economic distress and political confusion found outlet in threats, strikes and resistance to every positive action. The climax came in November, following a fomented strike in the Mendoza oilfields and a railroad strike across the nation. The new President did not hesitate. He called on the army and restored orderly operations.

For a period of 30 days, he proclaimed a state of siege and

the suspension of civil rights, then obtained Congressional agreement for a continuance of this emergency rule for "an indefinite period." The need for vigorous control soon appeared in the new austerity program — freeing the peso from exchange controls, cutting down luxuries, price-fixing and reduction of government jobs. Frondizi had warned of a difficult year ahead in his Christmas message, joining this with an appeal to the national patriotism:

"We must bring about the Argentine miracle and prove that we also, are able to convert discouragement into hope and the ruins into magnificent victories. In order to achieve this we must have the firm will to do it and to do it all together."

He finished the speech by quoting his own inaugural message:

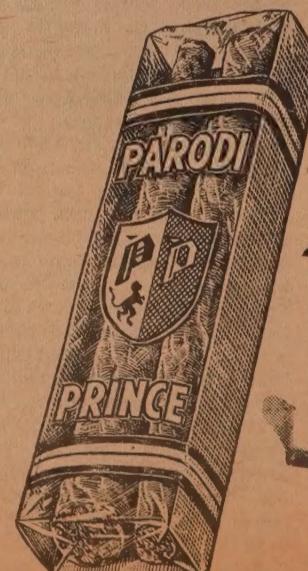
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